

## **Joint Committee on Arts**

### **Informational Hearing**

#### ***California and the Humanities: Building Bridges and Amplifying Voices***

Wednesday, May 16, 2018 3:00 p.m.

State Capitol – Room 2040 – Sacramento

Live stream: <http://senate.ca.gov//>

### **AGENDA**

- I. **Welcome and Opening Remarks**  
**Senator Ben Allen** - Chair, Joint Committee on the Arts  
**Assemblymember Kansen Chu** - Vice Chair, Joint Committee on the Arts  
*and other committee members (as present)*
  
- II. **Panel 1: Defining the Humanities**  
**William Deverell**, Ph.D., Director, Huntington-USC Institute on California and the West
  
- III. **Panel 2: The Humanities: Artists and Storytellers on a Mission**  
**James Q. Chan**, Producer/Director, Good Medicine Picture Company,  
*Forever, Chinatown* (San Francisco)  
**Anjanette Maraya-Ramey**, MA, CNP, Dancer and Choreographer;  
Executive Director, The AjA Project, *BorderClick* (San Diego)  
**Donté Clark**, Spoken Word Artist, Community Activist and Actor  
*Romeo is Bleeding* (Richmond)  
**Chris Brown**, Deputy County Librarian, Santa Clara County Library District;  
*War Ink* (Campbell)  
**Dr. Bidhan Chandra Roy**, Associate Chair of English Department and Faculty  
Director of Prison Program, California State University Los Angeles  
*Words Uncaged* (Los Angeles)  
**Miriam Pawel**, Author; (former) Journalist, *Los Angeles Times* and *Newsday*  
*Democracy in the Fields* (Los Angeles)
  
- IV. **Panel 3: Partnership Programs: Inspiring Cultural Connections**  
**John Szabo**, City Librarian, Los Angeles Public Library; Board Member,  
California Humanities  
**Nina Simon**, Executive Director, Santa Cruz Museum of Art and History  
**Oliver A. Rosales**, Ph.D., Professor of History and Faculty Coordinator/Social  
Justice Institute, Bakersfield College; Board Member, California Humanities
  
- V. **Panel 4: State of the Humanities: Do They Matter?**  
**Katrina Woodworth**, Ed.D., Senior Principal Researcher, SRI Education  
**Neha Balram**, Community Engagement Coordinator, California Humanities  
**Julie Fry**, President and CEO, California Humanities

**VI. Public Comment**

**VII. Closing Comments by Committee Chair, Vice-Chair and Members**

**VIII. Adjournment**